

In the paper filed 2/14/08, applicants stated that they have not received an initialed copy of some of the previously submitted 1449's. Those 1449's identified by applicants as not having been received are those which, according to applicants were filed on the following dates: 9/8/06, 10/24/06, 4/12/07 and 5/29/07. It is assumed that by 9/8/06, applicants are referring to the IDS filed 9/12/06; that by 10/24/06, applicants are referring to the IDS filed 10/26/06, and by 4/12/07, applicants are referring to the file date of 4/16/07. In any event, it does appear to be the case that the 9/12/06 IDS was never considered by the examiner, and is submitted herewith. Several references have been stricken from this IDS (filed 9/12/06). Those that are in foreign languages have been stricken because a translation has not been provided. In the event that applicants would like the examiner to consider the abstract **only**, the record should be made clear that **only** the abstract has been considered. By way of example, the following could be listed in the "other documents" section (note that an abstract is not a patent, and a patent is not an abstract):

Abstract of DE 001,811,518 (July 1969).

The following is another example:

Abstract of Kaplan (*Radiobiol Radiother* 24, 6, 745-752, 1983).

The remaining references (Hall, Alvarez, Asbury) that were stricken (from the 9/12/06 IDS) were so treated because they were not received.

As for the 10/26/06, 4/16/07 and 5/29/07 IDS's, these were mailed out to applicants, and moreover, should be visible by accessing PAIR.

As for the IDS filed 2/14/08, only the US Patents have been considered. The reason is that applicants have provided no references beyond those in connection with the earlier IDS's; these, in turn, have all been considered, at least to the extent that copies have been provided.



Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Lukton whose telephone number is 571-272-0952. The examiner can normally be reached Monday-Friday from 9:30 to 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cecilia Tsang, can be reached at (571)272-0562. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 571-272-1600.

/David Lukton/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1654